Reimbursement from DPEA to IDPL and HAL

340. CHOWDHARY RAM SEWAK: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that his Ministry has reimbursed amounts from Drug Prices Equalisation Accounts to Indian Drugs and Pharmaceuticals Limited and Hindustan Antibiotics Limited;

(b) if so, what are the details of amounts reimbursed during 1986-87 to 1989-90 yearwise;

(c) what are the names of bulk drugs in respect of which those amounts have been reimbursed;

(d) whether it is also a fact that IDPL has to pay into Drug Price Equalisation account;

(e) if so, what are the details of liabilities it has to pay into DPEA upto 31st March, 1990;

(f) what are the names of drugs involved; and

(g) by when these recoveries would be made and how much amount has been recovered so far upto the 25th April, 1990?

THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS (SHRI M. S. GURUPADASWAMY): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The details of the amounts reimbursed from the DPCA to IDPL and HAL from 1986-87 to 1989-90 are given below:

Year	Amount reimbursed to (Rs./lakhs)	
	IDPL	HAL
1986-87	92.33	37.10
1987-88	292.88	76.87
1988-89	115.00	18.26
1989-90	NIL	NIL

(c) The amounts have been reimbursed to the companies in respect of 6-APA, Vitamin B-1, Vitamin B-2, Streptomycin etc.

(d) to (g) Total liabilities of IDPL to pay into the DPEA under Para 7 (2) of the Drugs (Prices Control) Order, 1979 have not been assessed so far. The recoveries under Para 7(2) would be made after assessing the liabilities on this account.

Exemption of Small Scale Industries from DPCO

341. SHRI ASHOK NATH VERMA: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that his Ministry did not accept the recommendations of the Kelkar Committee in regard to small scale industry;

(b) whether it is also a fact that his Ministry issued notification for exemption of small scale industries from the provisions of Drugs (Prices Control) Order before the receipt of recommendations of the Kelkar Committee;

(c) whether his Ministry has studied the impact of the decision on small scale industry;

(d) if so, what are the details thereof;

(e) whether it is a fact that this issue has been considered by the Standing Committee; and

(f) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS (SHRI M. S. GURUPADASWAMY): (a) and (b) Government has taken independent decision to grant exemption to the small scale units from price control in respect of Category II formulations under Drugs (Prices Control) Order, 1987.

(c) to (f) Although no study has been made to know the impact of the decision taken by the Government to exempt the small scale units from price control in respect of Category II formulations under Drugs (Prices Control) Order, 1987, yet this issue will be considered by the Standing Committee.

Recovery in DPEA

342. SHRI ASHOK NATH VERMA: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 1628 given in the Rajya Sabha on 26th March, 1990 and state:

(a) what are the names of drugs of each company against whose assessment the amounts have been recovered;

(b) what are the details of tentative amounts worked out against each drug of each of six companies by the special team;

(c) by when the scrutiny of the findings of the team would be completed;

(d) whether it is a fact that there is more than one drug of each company where amount due was assessed;

(e) if so, what amount was assessed against each drug and amount recovered against each drug of each of the seven companies; and

(f) what is the amount recovered from each company during the month of April, 1990 and what steps have been taken to expedite the recovery?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS (SHRI M. S. GURUPADASWAMY): (a) to (e) Details of amounts tentatively assessed by the Special Team upto 31-12-1983. against the companies involved in the Supreme Court case, drugs involved and the amounts paid by the companies are given below:

Sl. No.	*Name of the Company*	*Bulk drugs & formulations in respect of which amount has been assessed*	*Amount tentatively assessed upto 31-12-83 (Rs. lakhs)*	*Amount paid by the companies Rs. lakhs)*
1.	Cyaramid (India) Ltd.	(i) Chloroteracyline . .	389.06	100.0
		(ii) Demethyl Chlorotetracycline.		
		(iii) Tetracycline.		
		(iv) Hetrazan Tablets.		
2.	Hoechst (India) Ltd.	(i) Baralgone Ketone . .	458.10	312.10
		(ii) Pheniramine Maleate.		